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SOUTH CAROLINA FARMS.

Agricultural Statistics as Shown by the Census Figures.

The farms of South Carolina, June 1, 1900, numbered 155,355, and were valued at \$126,761,530. Of this amount \$26,955,670, or 21.2 per cent. represents the value of buildings, and \$99,805,860, or 78.7 per cent. the value of land and improvements other than buildings. On the same date the value of farm implements and machinery was \$6,629,770, and of live stock, \$20,199,859. These values added to that of farms, give \$153,591,159, the "total value of farm property."

The products derived from domestic animals, poultry, and bees, including animals sold and animals slaughtered on farms are referred to in this bulletin as "animal products." The total value of such products, together with the value of all crops, is termed "total value of farm products." This value for 1899 was \$68,266,912, of which amount \$9,376,499, or 13.7 per cent. represents the value of animal products; and \$58,890,413, or 86.3 per cent. the value of crops, including forest products cut or produced on farms. The total value of farm products for 1899 exceeds that for 1899 by \$16,928,927, or 33.0 per cent.

The "gross farm income" is obtained by deducting from the total value of farm products the value of the products fed to live stock on the farms of the producers. In 1899 the reported value of products fed was \$5,736,508, leaving \$62,530,362 as the gross farm income. The ratio which this amount bears to the "total value of farm property" is referred to in this bulletin as the "percentage of gross income upon investment." For South Carolina, in 1899 it was 40.7 per cent.

The number of farms reported in 1900 was over five times as great as in 1850, and 35 per cent greater than in 1890.

The total farm area, as shown in the above table, decreased from 1850 to 1870, and during the next 30 years there was an increase of but 15.5 per cent.

Except for the civil war decade, the area and per cent. of improved farm land increased throughout the half century. The rapid increase in the number of farms and the very slight increase in the total acreage involved a decrease in the average size of farms, which, together with increase in per cent. of farm land improved, indicates a progressive division of farm holdings and a more complete utilization of the soil.

For the last decade increases in the number of farms as shown for all counties whose boundaries were not changed. An increase in the acreage of farm land is reported in three-fourths of the counties, and the increase in the acreage of improved land is still more general. The average size of farms for the state is 90 acres, and varies from 48.2 acres in Beaufort county to 187.7 acres in Georgetown county.

Between 1890 and 1900 the value of farms increased in almost all counties, the average value for the State in 1900 being \$816. Increases in the value of implements and machinery and of live stock are reported from nearly all counties.

The average expenditure per farm for labor varied greatly, being highest in the eastern and lowest in the northwestern counties. In Marlboro county the average was \$100 per farm.

In the number of farms, value of gross products, money paid for labor, and fertilizers Orangeburg leads with 8,408 farms, valued at \$4,994,810, less the buildings, producing in excess of stuffed to live stock \$3,609,441. \$401,060 is paid for labor and \$321,210 for fertilizers.

In number of farms the order is Orangeburg, Spartanburg, Anderson, Sumter, Greenville, Beaufort, Laurens, Colleton, Barnwell, Williamsburg, Abbeville, York, Darlington, Charleston, Aiken, Charleston, Berkeley, Marion, Greenwood, Edgefield, Fairfield, Lexington, Newberry, Chester, Horry, Hampton, Oco-

nee, Florence with 3,173. Georgetown has the fewest towns, 1,414.

Anderson leads in the values of farm lands \$6,405,226 and buildings \$1,344,870. Spartanburg is next, Orangeburg third, Greenville fourth. In value of farm implements and machinery Orangeburg leads, Anderson next, Greenville, Sumter, Spartanburg.

In value of lands and buildings Florence is well up towards the leading counties, \$816,040, buildings \$48,250. Implements and machinery \$115,070.

In gross products the order of the leading counties is Orangeburg, Sumter, Anderson, Spartanburg, Marion, Barnwell, Laurens, Darlington, Greenville. Florence is nineteenth. In payment of labor Orangeburg is first, Marlboro second, Pickens last. Marlboro is second to Orangeburg in value of fertilizers used.

Labor in Florence is paid \$204,260, fertilizers used \$118,720.

For the several classes of farms the average values per acre of products not fed to live stock are as follows: For farms whose operators derive their principal income from flowers and plants, \$264.29; nursery products \$12.52; vegetables \$10.60; fruit \$6.82; tobacco \$6.27; cotton \$4.94; dairy produce \$4.45; sugar \$1.31; miscellaneous \$3.20; live stock \$3.22; hay and grain \$3.22; and rice \$261.

There are four farms whose principal source of income is flowers and plants, 3 nursery products, 19 sugar, 118 fruit, 442 dairy produce, 1,953 tobacco, 1,206 rice, 9,549 hog and grain, 2,332 vegetables, 3,376 live stock, 112,822 cotton, and 23,460 that have no "principal" crop.

There are 155,355 farms in the state, 69,954 are run by white farmers, 85,401 by colored, 52,623 are run by owners.

In 1900, 45 per cent. of the farms in the state were operated by white farmers and 55 per cent. by colored farmers. Of the white

farmers 22.2 per cent. are white and 77.8 per cent. are colored.

The average value of white people's farms is \$995, of colored \$353. Building, implements and live stock in about the same proportion. Gross income; white 542, colored 289.

Shatters All Records.

Twice in hospital, F. A. Gullege, Verbena, Ala., paid a vast sum to doctors to cure a severe case of piles, causing 24 tumors. When all failed, Bucklen's Arnica Salve soon cured him. Subdues Inflammation, conquers Aches, kills Pains. Best salve in the world. 25c at McMaster Co.'s drug store.

An exchange says: "Kill your dog and buy a pig with the dollar you save on dog tax. The scraps you feed the dog with would make the pig weight 300 pounds, and then you could sell it and give your wife the money." Yes, kill your dear old faithful, mindful, trustful dog and buy a pig. But when you come home after a hard day's toil don't expect that pig to meet you two blocks away with a joyful little cry of welcome at every jump. Sometimes when you feel unusually blue and it seems as if the whole world was knocking against you, don't expect it to nestle up to your side and laying its head within your lap, wag out its unalloyed sympathy. Don't expect it to forsake its meal of "scraps" just for the privilege of being your companion on a lonely drive or walk. Don't expect it to do any of any of these little things,—there's a vast difference between your constant friend and a pig.

His Sight Threatened.

"While picnicking last month my 11-year-old boy was poisoned by some weed or plant," says W. H. Dibble, of Sioux City, Ia. "He rubbed the poison off his hands into his eyes and for awhile we were afraid he would lose his sight. Finally a neighbor recommended DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. The first application helped him and in a few days he was as well as ever." For skin diseases, cuts, burns, scalds, wounds, insect bites, DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve is sure cure. Relieves piles at once. Beware of counterfeits. McMaster Co.

Feasterville Items.

We had refreshing rains last week and the crops are very much improved thereby. The corn crop promises to be abundant in this section. In some localities it is extra fine. Mr. A. C. Feaster has the finest piece on Broad River bottom land that I have seen this year. Mr. Lawrence I. also has some very fine ears of corn on his bottom. Mr. John Fee has some bottom corn that was planted by inside of thirty days and can't be beat, his ears are good. I don't think it is the point too far to say that there will be made in northwest this year than made in one year past. The cotton crop I believe will be better than the average of a few years.

We are glad to hear that the field has been which to the delegation of primary and talk of the would indeed say how the drop.

The club vice president, Mr. Betts, regret of the friends of the Feasterville factory for the past signed his position here to accept the position of a high school in North Carolina, to which place he carried with him Mr. Jenkins as his assistant in the principal and family affairs. He will be missed by the club members.

A well authenticated story in circulation to the effect that Jim Tillman has promised comparative immunity to the dealers in return for their support, says The Columbia River and there is evidence right in the city going to show that there is either something definite in the report or that there is an expectation that they will not be seriously interfered with in their business in case of his election.

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A Cure for Cholera.

"Last May," says one of Bookwalter, Ohio, "one of our neighbors' cholera infantum was given up all but a bottle of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. It was a good cure. In two days the child was vigorous, healthy, and mended this. I have never known a like instance." For sale by McMaster Co.

Backing Tillman.

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Henry L. Shattuck, of Shellsburg, Iowa, was cured of a stomach trouble with which he had been afflicted for years, by four boxes of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. He had previously tried many other remedies and a number of physicians without relief. For sale by McMaster Co.

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For Over

Mrs. Winslow's has been used for over a generation by millions of mothers while teething, while it soothes the child, allays all pain, cures the colic, and is the best remedy for the poor immediately. Sold by every part of the world. Cents a bottle. Be sure and get Mrs. Winslow's Soothing and take no other kind.